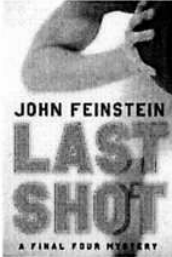


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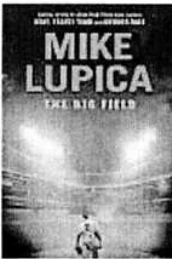
Sports



Last Shot by *John Feinstein*
Is the Final Four fixed? Two student reporters win the chance a lifetime to report on the Final Four Basketball Tournament. They need to put together the clues as they overhear that a player is going to throw the game! A great book for basketball fans!



Peak by *Roland Smith*
Arrested for climbing buildings in New York City, Peak Marcello is now sent off to the Himalayas to REALLY climb -- Everest this time -- if he can survive.



The Big Field by *Mike Lupica*
Playing shortstop is Hutch's life. What happens when a better shortstop joins the team? This book is full of baseball action.



Pop by *Gordon Korman*
Markus moves to a new town and hopes to make it big as a football star. He befriends a local man while playing football and is shocked to find out that he is Charlie Popovich, the famous NFL player. Charlie has a secret, and his family would like to keep it that way. What happens when Marcus gets involved?



Soul Surfer by *Bethany Hamilton*
True story of a girl who lost her arm in a shark attack but never gave up.
ALA Popular Paperbacks for Young Adults 2008.



The Million Dollar Putt by *Dan Gutman*
A funny story about 2 best friends, Bogey and Birdie. Bogey would like to learn to play golf and is determined to do so, even though he is blind. Does he really have a chance to win a million dollars in a golf tournament?

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Historical /Mystery



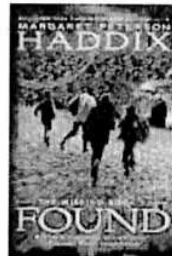
Fever 1793 by *Laurie Halse Anderson*
The yellow fever swept through Philadelphia in 1793. With the death toll climbing, Mattie must figure out how to survive. She was forced to escape the city with her Grandfather to find a safe place to live. Can she get away from the sickness? Based on true events.



The Rock and the River by *Kekla Magoon*
Chicago, 1968. Sam's father is a non-violent protester with Dr. Martin Luther King. Sam's brother has joined the Black Panthers and has a different idea of how changes can be made for equal rights. Sam sees the violence erupting in his neighborhood and he's unsure what side to pick.



Milkweed by *Jerry Spinelli*
A survival story about a young orphan during the time of the Nazis in Poland. *Nutmeg Winner 2007*



Found by *Margaret Haddix*
What if everything you thought about your life wasn't true? Each of the characters in this book has received mysterious messages in the mail. Someone is coming **back** for them. Who? Back from where? A fast-paced thriller!

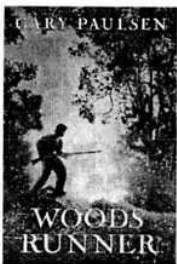


The Boy Who Dared by *Susan Campbell Bartoletti*

Based on a true story of a teen in the Hitler Youth who starts to question his involvement in the organization. He rebels against the Nazis and pays the ultimate price.



Black Duck by *Janet Taylor Lisle*
Why do both the New York and Boston mob want you? Rumrunners, mobsters, boats and adventure, this is a good read.



Woods Runner by *Gary Paulsen*

The setting is the American Revolution. Sam, a 13 year old boy prides himself on his ability to survive in the wilderness. This skill becomes essential when he comes home one day to find his house has been burned, and his family has been taken prisoner by the enemy. Sam is determined to find his parents, but he must survive the



Scat by *Carl Hiaasen*

On a field trip to the swamp a mysterious breaks out and the teacher disappears. Students don't believe that she is out sick they return to school, and start investigating. As the students get closer and closer to the truth, they find themselves in big trouble. A fun book with crazy characters. *Nutmeg Nominee 2012*

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Fantasy/SciFi



Life As We Knew It by Susan Beth Pfeffer
An asteroid hits the moon and everything changes very quickly for every person on the planet. A story about family, loss and love.
Nutmeg Award Winner



The Maze Runner by James Dashner
Thomas wakes up and realizes he has no idea where he is. He's in a place called the Glade. Every 30 days a boy is "delivered." There's a maze that all of the boys are trying to escape during the day. Many don't come back from their explorations. At night they must lock themselves in to survive the part animal, part machines called "Grievors." Can Thomas figure out how to get out of the maze?
Nutmeg Nominee 2012



Hidden Talents by David Lubar
Martin is a middle school student that doesn't fit in anywhere. He's sent to an alternative school where he realizes that all of the students have special powers. There he meets Torchie, Lucky, Cheater and Trash and finds out what kind of trouble they cause. Does Martin have a "hidden talent?" Will it help



Compound by S.A. Bodeen
When the world was destroyed by nuclear attack, Eli and his parents moved underground to a safe shelter and they have been living there ever since. Eli starts to doubt his father's plan and finds himself in danger as he puts together clues that his father may have been lying all along.
Nutmeg Nominee 2012



The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins
In a futuristic society, 2 kids from each community are chosen to fight for their lives in a "Survivor"-like game. Only one will live at the end of the televised Hunger Games.
Nutmeg Nominee 2012



Princess of the Midnight Ball by Jessica Day George

A fairy tale! Princess Rose and her sisters are held by a curse that makes them dance each night with a King's sons, until they are completely exhausted and sick. A soldier thinks he may be able to break the curse and win Rose as his bride!
Nutmeg Nominee 2012



Code Orange by Caroline Cooney
A student doing a project on smallpox comes across an envelope of smallpox scabs. Has he exposed all of NYC to this highly contagious disease?
Nutmeg Nominee

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Realistic



Firegirl by Tony Abbott

A seventh grade boy befriends a new girl who has been burned badly in a car accident. Will everyone be as good a friend to her?



Waiting for Normal by Leslie Connor

Addie and her mom move away to a trailer park, where Addie is left alone most of the time. Addie meets friends throughout the town to help her deal with her current lack-of-family situation. A story about an interesting girl and her journey to find what she needs in her life. *Nutmeg Nominee 2011*



Pieces of Georgia by Jen Bryant

Georgia misses her mother and wishes she understood her father better. She loves art, and longs to connect somehow with her deceased mother. Georgia mysteriously receives a membership to an art museum and this changes her life.



How Angel Peterson Got His Name by Gary Paulsen

Every boy who is 13 or about to be 13 or who remembers being 13 should read this short story collection based on people and events from Paulsen's own



Schooled by Gordon Korman

Capricorn was raised on a commune and home-schooled by his hippie Grandmother. When she goes into the hospital, the only option is for him to go to school for the first time. He's never watched TV, had money or seen a locker. This is a funny book about being different and somehow fitting in.